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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - JANUARY 26, 1977

1. U.S. COVERAGE IS MODERATE IN VOLUME, MOSTLY NEGATIVE  
IN TONE.

-- IZVESTIYA CARRIES A HARSH BLAST BY YU. BARSUKOV DENOUNCING RECENT U.S. PRESS STORIES ON THE DIFFICULTIES OF LIFE IN MOSCOW FOR AMERICANS. BARSUKOV NOTES THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE STORY ON WATER CONTAMINATION WAS INCORRECT AND DESCRIBES THE AMERICAN EMBASSY AS A DIRTY SOURCE FOR A DIRTY STORY.

-- ALL CENTRAL MEDIA CONTINUES TO REPORT ON VICE-PRESIDENT MONDALE'S TRAVELS IN WESTERN EUROPE. PRAVDA'S V. MIKHAILOV ADDS A COMMENT LINKING THE VICE-PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO BONN WITH RECENT ITALIAN-FRG TALKS AND WITH FRG CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S VISIT TO LONDON. MILITARY AND ECONOMIC MATTERS ARE THE KEY THEMES IN ALL OF THESE TALKS, MIKHAILOV SHOWS, CLAIMING THAT THE FRG SEEKS A LARGER ROLE IN BOTH.

-- PRAVDA CARRIES A SHORT ITEM QUOTING LABOR SECRETARY MARSHALL THAT EVEN THE MODEST GOALS OF THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S PROGRAM TO FIGHT UNEMPLOYMENT MAY NOT BE MET.

-- LITGAZ CARRIES A RATHER FAVORABLE MOOD PIECE ON THE WAY AMERICANS REACTED TO THE INAUGURATION, AND TO THE PRESIDENT'S EFFORT TO PORTRAY HIMSELF AS "CLOSE TO THE PEOPLE."

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-- PRAVDA CARRIES A COLUMN DENOUNCING WESTERN "HAWKS" FOR CONTINUING TO PROPAGATE THE MYTHS OF A "SOVIET THREAT" AND OF NATO WEAKNESS. THE REPORT BY SENATORS NUNN AND BARTLETT TAKES PRIDE OF PLACE, BUT THE VIENNESE NEWSPAPER "KRONEN-ZEITUNG" ALSO GETS KNOCKED FOR ITS SCENARIO ABOUT A SOVIET ATTACK WESTWARD. PRAVDA ADDS EXTRAORDINARY SPLENETIC FOOTNOTE: "(THESE REPORTS), TO WHICH SIMILAR FACTS FROM OTHER WESTERN COUNTRIES COULD BE ADDED, TESTIFY THAT THIS IS A MATTER OF AN ORGANIZED CAMPAIGN BY THOSE HOSTIL TO DETENTE. IT IS LIKELY (POKHOSHE) THAT THIS IMPERIALIST PROPAGANDA IS COORDINATED FROM ONE CENTER." THE SAME POINT -- THAT THE "THREAT" REPORTS ARE PART OF A CAMPAIGN BUT ARE NOT BASED ON REALITY -- IS ALSO QUOTED FROM FRENCH GENERAL BUIS (PHONETIC) IN AN ASSOCIATED PRESS INTERVIEW, CITED IN A TASS NEW YORK ITEM IN PRAVDA.

2. IN OTHER COVERAGE:

-- PRAVDA (JAN. 26) FOLLOWS BERLIN TASS ITEM ON SCHMIDT'S BUNDESTAG REMARKS CONCERNING "DOUBTFUL ACTIVITY" OF FRG EAST BERLIN MISSION JAN. 25 WITH BERLIN TASS ITEM ON KOHL ND INTERVIEW CONCERNING "PROVOCATIONS" AGAINST GDR MISSION IN BONN, WHICH CONCLUDES THAT KOHL WAS RECALLED TO BERLIN TO REPORT TO HIS GOVERNMENT.

-- ON DENMARK, RARE PRAVDA COMMENTARY BY SCANDI-NAVIAN CORRESPONDENT KUZNETSOV JAN. 25 TOUTS LEFT UNITY IN ELECTION CAMPAIGN, OPPOSITION TO EEC MEMBERSHIP, AND GROWING RECOGNITION BY BOTH PUBLIC AND BUSINESS CIRCLES THAT INCREASING TIES WITH EAST IS HOPEFUL WAY OUT OF ECONOMIC CRISIS.

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-- A. VASIL'YEV IN PRAVDA DESCRIBES TOUGH NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN EGYPTIAN DEP. PM FOR FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC QUESTIONS KAISOUNI AND REPRESENTATIVES OF IMF AND IBRD ON SUPPLEMENTAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR EGYPT. VASIL'YEV SAYS BELT-TIGHTENING MEASURES DEMANDED BY IMF AND IBRD ARE POLITICALLY UNACCEPTABLE AT PRESENT STAGE IN EGYPT. R. MOSEYEV HAS SHORT ARTICLE IN IZVESTIYA ON CONTINUATION OF CAMPAIGN OF REPRESSION AGAINST REPRESENTATIVES OF PROGRESSIVE FORCES IN EGYPT. MOSEYEV SAYS "OFFICIAL PROPAGANDA" CAREFULLY HIDES TRUE SCALE OF REPRESSIVE CAMPAIGN AGAINST "SPONTANEOUS" ANTI-GOVERNMENT MANIFESTATIONS. JAN. 26 LITGAZ CARRIES AN ABRIDGED VERSION OF A LONDON ECONOMIST STORY (PUBLISHED BEFORE THE DISORDER) ON EGYPTIAN ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES.

-- PRAVDA HAS A COMMUNIQUE-LIKE SHORT ARTICLE ON MEETING BETWEEN POLITBURO CANDIDATE MEMBER PONOMAREV AND A DELEGATION FROM THE PARTY OF NATIONAL REVOLUTION OF BENIN LED BY A MEMBER OF THE PARTY'S POLITBURO (AND BENIN FONMIN) M. ALLADAYE. ALLADAYE INFORMED PONOMAREV OF ROLE OF BENIN'S "VANGUARD" PARTY IN CARRYING OUT "PROGRESSIVE SOCIAL-ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION" IN BENIN. BOTH SIDES CONDEMNED "TREACHEROUS RAID OF IMPERIALIST MERCENARIES" ON COTONOU AND ITS AIRPORT ON JAN 16.

-- IZVESTIYA IN ITS COVERAGE OF JOINT SESSION OF SUPREME SOVIET FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEES' DISCUSSION OF SOVIET-ANGOLAN FRIENDSHIP TREATY

(APPARENTLY IDENTICAL TO COVERAGE IN JAN. 25  
PRAVDA) RAN AN UNUSUAL PHOTOGRAPH OF PONOMAREV  
HOLDING FORTH AT JOINT SESSION, WITH CC CPSU SECRETARY KATUSHEV  
SITTING BESIDE HIM.

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-- PRAVDA "COMMENTATOR'S COLUMN" BY V. KOROVIKOV  
DISCUSSES SMITH'S REFUSAL TO ACCEPT "AMENDMENTS" TO  
ANGLO-AMERICAN PLAN FOR RHODESIAN SETTLEMENT.  
KOROVOKOV DESCRIBES SMITH'S ATTEMPT TO SET UP  
"PSEUDO-GOVERNMENT" USING TRIBAL PUPPETS AND  
MUZOREWA GROUP. MUZOREWA, SAYS KOROVIKOV, HAS IN  
RECENT MONTHS DIVERGED FROM THE POSITION OF THE  
NATIONAL-LIBERATION FORCES.

-- KZ HAS NOTE ON SUCCESSFUL ACTIVITY OF 500,000  
MAN STRONG ETHIOPIAN PEOPLES' MILITIA.

-- PRAVDA NOTES "DOCUMENT" SENT BY URUGUAYAN  
COMMUNISTS TO "ITALY" CALLING FOR WORLD PUBLIC OPINION  
TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO SAVE LIFE OF IMPRISONED  
URUGUAYAN CC CP SECRETARY JAIME PEREZ.

-- WITH REFERENCE TO DAVIS CUP TENNIS MATCHES  
IN SANTIAGO, JAN 26, LITGAZ PRINTS TEXT OF ADMONITORY  
LETTER FROM CHILEAN "ORGANIZED RESISTANCE" TO ITALIAN  
DAVIS CUP COMMITTEE REP DANIELE PAROLINI. LITGAZ  
ADDS A FOOTNOTE MENTIONING THAT WHILE SOVIET TEAM  
DECLINED TO PLAY CHILEANS FOR POLITICAL REASONS,  
ITALIANS WENT ON TO SANTIAGO AND WON THEIR MATCH.

-- NORTH KOREAN PREMIER PAK SONG CHOL'S  
MOSCOW VISIT CONTINUES, WITH SOME PUBLIC SIGNS  
OF COOLNESS. PRAVDA DESCRIBED YESTERDAY'S MEETING  
AS TAKING PLACE IN A "FRIENDLY, BUSINESS-LIKE  
ATMOSPHERE" -- NOT A VERY CORDIAL FORMULATION  
FOR A "FRATERNAL" COUNTRY. THE SPEECHES AT  
KOSYGIN'S DINNER FOR PAK WERE SHORT AND BLAND.

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